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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: CARACAS STADIUM

REF: CARACAS 3145

1. ACCORDING TO DR. MIGUEL LOPEZ RUIZ, OF LOPEZ RUIZ INGENIEROS C.A. (LORICA), MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT PADILLA WAS TOLD LAST WEEK BY PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ TO ASK FOR OTHER OFFERS TO DESIGN AND BUILD THIS STADIUM. THIS COULD BE CONSIDERED A STALLING MOVE, ACCORDING TO DR. LOPEZ, ALTHOUGH THEIR INVESTIGATION HAS ALSO DISCOVERED SITE PROBLEMS AND A COST ESTIMATE HIGHER THAN THE GOV EXPECTED. FURTHER, LOPEZ EXPECTS A DECISION TO GO AHEAD WOULD BE SUBJECT TO SEVERE CRITICISM BY THE POLITICAL OPPOSITION.

2. NEVERTHELESS, THIS IS STILL CONSIDERED TO BE A VIABLE PROJECT. INDEED IT WILL HAVE TO BE EXPANDED, INASMUCH AS VENEZUELA HAS ACCEPTED HOSTING THE PAN AMERICAN GAMES IN 1983. A COMPLETE SPORTS COMPLEX PROBABLY WILL BE REQUIRED IN ADDITION TO THIS MULTIPURPOSE STADIUM. OBVIOUSLY THE TIME-FRAME WILL BE CONSIDERABLY LONGER THAN THAT PROJECTED IN CARACAS 3145.

3. EXECUTING AGENCY/PROJECT MANAGER: IN ADDITION TO DR.
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ROBERTO PADILLA FERNANDEZ, THE NATIONAL SPORTS INSTITUTE UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE INVOLVED IN THE DECISION PROCESS. GENERAL CAMILO VETHENCOURT ROJAS; PRESIDENT; INSTITUTO NACIONAL DE DEPORTES (IND); VELODROMO TEO CAPRILES; PROLONGACION LA VEGA, EL PARAISO; CARACAS, VENEZUELA

4. WITH REGARD TO LORICA'S FUTURE INTEREST IN THE PROJECT,

DR. LOPEZ NOW FEELS THAT LORICA'S ARRANGEMENT WITH EDIVIAGRO
AND BOUYGUS HAS GONE SO FAR FORWARD THAT LORICA NO LONGER
CAN GRACEFULLY EXTRICATE ITSELF. HOWEVER, SINCE THE OBVIOUS
CHOICE FOR PLANNING A BASEBALL STADIUM OUGHT TO BE FROM THE UNITED
STATES, LORICA WISHES TO KEEP A CHANNEL OF COMMUNICATION OPEN.
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